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United Church

Services will be held as usual on Sunday:
Sunday School at 2 p.m., and evening service at 7:30 p.m.
Church Service, 7:30 p.m.
Rev. A. T. Bell, pastor.

Government Prohibits

Opening New Mines

Among the main recommendations of the report of Sir Montague Barlow, two have been adopted by the Alberta Government, relating to the future of the coal mining industry.

One will prohibit the opening of new mines in Alberta, and the other will provide for the licensing of all mines in the province, according to an announcement made last week and by the Hon. C. C. Ross, minister of lands and mines.

After a given date, the government will not accept any more applications to file on government owned lands with in the province, for the purpose of coal mine development.

Premier Aberhart has made a request that citizens of Alberta attend the church of their choice next Sunday. Now is more conscious than he, of the need of the grace of God in these trying times. The united prayers of the people of this province would no doubt do much to strengthen the hands of those whom we have put in as our representatives, to do our business at Edmonton. Our responsibilities are not over after we have voted. The United Church extends to all a hearty invitation to meet with us next Sunday night at 7:30 p.m. The subject of the address will be: "The citizen and his Civic responsibility."

Sgt. Clark, R.C.M.P., arrived in town on Wednesday night from Bismarck.

Worst Blizzard In Memory Of Residents Raged In District On Saturday

The worst blizzard in the knowledge of residents of this district, raged here on Saturday throughout the day. A heavy snow fall, driven by a wind of high velocity, made it difficult to see a few feet ahead, and only those who had— or thought they had—business to attend to ventured down town. Business was to all intents and purposes nonexistent. Such was the fury of the storm that it was impossible to face it for any sustained length of time. Fortunately the temperature was moderate, the reading at noon being 28 above. At night the storm moderated some and contrary to expectations the passenger train from the east arrived here on time.

Snow, which to a great extent had disappeared in town, piled up in drifts three to five feet deep. There were quite a few residents busy with shovels digging out doorways blocked up with snow and in king paths to their houses. It was generally admitted to have been the worst blizzard which has been seen here.

A communication from Mr. David Lash, local M.P.E. says: "Was to a lecture the other evening in this City (Edmonton) and the Speaker was none other than Harold Loeb who used to be in Empress some years ago. He wished to be remembered to all old friends there. He informed me that he was only speaking in the larger centres and that from Edmonton was to speak in Grouse, Foothills, Moose and other large places in the Northern District."

Notice To Parents

I shall be at the school each weekly evening from 7:30 until 8:30 p.m., and shall be pleased to have any parent, who so desires, interview me in regard to their children's work.

All High School students have been requested to make time tables of home work. The purpose was to check over and consider any changes. These time tables will be made in triplicate—one for the pupil, one for the parent and one for the teacher.

—W. L. Thompson

Examinations To

Loose Importance

The public schools of Alberta are in for revolutionary and compulsory changes under which school examinations will become a thing of the past, says the Christian Science Monitor.

These innovations in the educational system include the following: elimination of examinations up to grade nine; elimination of the grade system; establishment of an "intermediate" school between elementary and high school; and radical revision to school curricula.

Progress will not be marked by years but by stages as the system will be flexible enough to permit a child to be in stage six in numbers and stage four in writing or spelling.

The new plan will become a compulsory measure in September in the rural schools and in the cities, the changes may be adopted in their entirety or modified somewhat.

New Divisions—Under this plan the 12-year old school course has been divided into four parts of which the grades one to three and four to six at present in operation will be changed into two divisions of the elementary school. Then comes the proposed new division of the intermediate school and the fourth division of high school of three years. The department of education is working to secure a curriculum which will be flexible enough to meet equally well the needs of all young people now attending the secondary schools. They are aiming at an educational system which will be suited to the young man destined for life in the workshop, garage, grocery store or farm as well.

Free Hand For Social Credit

Edmonton, March 26.—Efficiently and without opposition, the members of the Alberta Social Credit party, in the Alberta Legislature, Friday, adopted a far reaching amendment to the Social Credit Measures Bill. The bill was reported for third reading.

The amendment moved by Premier Aberhart, gives the Minister of Education full power "to adopt and put into operation any measure designed to facilitate the exchange of goods and services in any proposal which is calculated to bring about the reduction of consumption to production and to ensure the people of the province the full benefits of the increment arising from their association."

Opposition spokesmen said the house had no right to designate its rights.

as the man destined for the university or learned profession.

In explaining this revolutionary departure, G. F. McNally, Deputy Minister of Education in Alberta said that under the new system children in the elementary schools will organize themselves into "research societies" under the direction of teachers to pursue studies in what they call "factual studies"—meaning reading, writing and spelling as factual subjects. These committees of the public would study "enterprises" such as the Mount Builders' Club. They would study the geography of the province, the history and constitution of the Dominion of Canada, and the history of the world.

When all the enterprises are completed, the children would take a specified subject and make it their place.

Makes Swifter Progress—This means a child's education in one specified subject could be promoted to the grade to which he is properly adjusted in the various subjects instead of being held back by the less proficient pupils in the grade system. In a 12th grade or work which the child makes, he will be properly adjusted in the group to which he belongs and placed where he can get the most from the instruction offered.

A change in the school districts will also be effected, under which the unitization of schools will take the place of the needless duplication of school officials. It is anticipated

Canada Seeks To

Control Big Bank

Ottawa, March 17.—Charles A. Dunning, Minister of Finance, has introduced a resolution in the House of Commons as the first step to place the Bank of Canada under government control.

Mr. Dunning's resolution provides for an increase in the capital stock of the bank and for the purchase of certain shares with government funds to assure ownership of a majority of the shares by the Government.

The Finance Minister also requested an increase in the number of directors and provision for the election and appointment of directors "to assure control of the board of directors appointed by the Government."

The bank opened its doors a year ago, after a public sale of 100,000 shares of capital stock at \$5 a share. For the Government to obtain control the bank's stock would have to be bought to more than 200,000 shares.

Soviet Revive Advertising

The Soviet government is reviving advertising. Now that goods are becoming more abundant in the Soviet Union the government is endeavoring to reach the desires of the people for luxury goods and to educate them in the use of goods with which they are unfamiliar. In this manner they hope to induce the people to buy more.

That the collection of school taxes will remain unchanged at a levy adequate to the needs of each area will be set by the charge division. Should the school district desire additional improvements above the collection of school taxes, the rate above the

St. Mary's Anglican Church

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion.
7:30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

Rev. J. S. Parks, Vicar.

An Original Contest

Under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias, a contest is being staged at Drumheller, Alta., guessing on the time of the break-up of the Red Deer river.

"So that there will be no question as to the actual time of the break-up, an iron rod has been driven into the ice surface of the Red Deer river, near the house of Mr. E. Davies, River-side, near the Seventh crossing. When ice at this part of the river flows away, the rod will tug a wire connected to an electric clock located at Mr. Davies' home. The clock will immediately stop and this will be the official time of the ice break-up in the river."

200 Miles To Gallon of Gas

It is reported that patents have been taken out on the new automobile invented by C. N. Fugate of Winnipeg; in Canada, United States, Great Britain and other countries.

The latest test was made in Winnipeg on a day when the temperature was 10 below zero, with a hard northerly blowing. An 800 lb. car travelled 200 miles on a measured 20.2 gallons of gasoline (imperial measure). This is equal to 20.6 miles per gallon (imperial measure) which is about one fifth longer than the American standard. A number of Winnipeg business men have formed a syndicate to finance an organization to make the necessary.

average set and will have to take the bait for these improvements themselves.

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First Step Taken Toward Amending Bank of Canada Act

Ottawa.—Government ownership and control of the Bank of Canada will be obtained by the issue of additional shares which will be taken up by the federal treasury, and by the appointment of additional directors sufficient to assure control of the board.

This was definitely indicated in a notice of motion appearing on the House of Commons order paper in the name of Finance Minister Dunning.

Carrying out the forecast contained in the speech from the throne and in conformity with the Liberal party's campaign platform, the government has taken the first step toward amending the Bank of Canada Act to empower the transfer of control and ownership from private to public hands.

The resolution reads as follows: "That it is expedient to bring in a measure to amend the Bank of Canada Act so as to increase the capital stock of the bank, to provide that certain shares thereof shall be purchased by the minister of finance out of the consolidated revenue fund in order to assure ownership of a majority of the shares by the government, to increase the number of directors and to provide for election and appointment of directors in such manner as to assure voting control of the board of directors appointed by the government."

Details of the government's intentions must remain undisclosed because the time consumed by the resolution, but it is understood there is no intention of interfering with the present board of seven directors, nor with the executive officers. It is not anticipated the resolution will be moved for some time as the government has already initiated the most important measure to be advanced would be that dealing with a national commission on unemployment and relief, but the government anticipates the present lengthy debate on the Canada-United States trade agreement is ended.

Serious Floods in Ontario

Waters Drive Four Hundred Families From Their Homes

Toronto.—One dead, two near death and property damage in excess of \$300,000 were counted as the toll of the most widespread floods eastern and central Ontario have experienced in 20 years.

Hardest hit of the scores of cities, towns and villages affected, Belleville, a city of 14,000 population, was in serious plight with five feet of water roaring down main streets more than 300 homes and a food shortage threatening.

To Exempt Goods

Ottawa.—The government will, it is expected, bring down legislation providing for exemption of goods purchased by Canadian tourists in the United States up to \$100, at the time the budget is introduced.

Great Britain's largest boat factory, planned for Chard, England, will have a capacity of 200 tons a week.

Will Impose Duty To Protect Fruit And Vegetable Growers

Ottawa.—Arbitrary duty valuations will be used to protect Canadian fruit and vegetable growers from unfair competition from the United States. Finance Minister Dunning assured the House of Commons when Conservatives criticized vegetable tariff reductions in the Canada-American trade treaty.

Vegetable tariffs were discussed most of the afternoon when the treaty was considered in committee stage. Conservative Leader Bennett charged the Liberals on their use of dumping duties and claimed the finance minister's announcement was a vindication of actions taken by his administration.

On many vegetables, the treaty reduced the Canadian tariff from 30 to 15 per cent. Conservative members, most of them from Ontario, protested against the reduction,

Expense Accounts Paid

Cost Of "On-To-Ottawa" Trek Amounted To \$32,104

Ottawa.—The Dominion government paid \$31,108 to Saskatchewan and \$996 to Alberta, a total of \$32,104, in connection with the "On-to-Ottawa trek" last summer. This was shown by orders-in-council tabled in the House of Commons by Hon. Norman McLeod, Rogers, minister of labor.

The payment to Alberta covered cost of meals furnished the trekkers during stops at Calgary and Medicine Hat. The Saskatchewan payment covered expenditures for "sustenance, tobacco and transportation" during the period from June 12 to Sept. 13, 1935.

In his report to cabinet, the minister said: "That a certificate of expenditure has been received from the province of Saskatchewan covering expenditures amounting to \$31,108, including 135 periods of June 12, 1935, to Sept. 13, 1935, for sustenance, tobacco and transportation on behalf of a group of single men and unemployed men who were camped in the cities of Swift Current, Moose Jaw and Regina in the said province, proceeding to Ottawa from British Columbia as an 'On-to-Ottawa trek', and including the cost of transporting said men back to their homes or points of origin and necessary sustenance en route thereto."

Ottawa Renews Loans

Approves 32 Treasury Bills From Saskatchewan As Security

Ottawa.—Renewal for one year of loans to the province of Saskatchewan amounting to \$1,024,218 is provided for in orders-in-council passed by the government and tabled in the House of Commons.

The loans matured in January and February and were secured by treasury bills of the province. The Dominion government has not only renewed the loans but has incorporated in the renewals the matured interest totalling \$47,360. Treasury bills matured in January and February were accepted as security.

More Butter Produced

Output 11.3 Per Cent. Higher Than February, 1935

Ottawa.—The output of creamery butter amounted to 7,941,567 pounds, a gain of 815,715 pounds or 11.3 per cent. over February, 1935, the Dominion bureau of statistics reported. Production in western provinces with previous year's figures in brackets: Manitoba, 186,051 (170,677); Saskatchewan, 906,792 (789,494); British Columbia, 512,367 (560,822).

Expenses Of Rig Committee

Ottawa.—Traveling expenses of the committee which investigated unemployment relief camps from December 2, 1934, to January 20, 1935, amounted to \$890, were covered by an order-in-council tabled in the House of Commons. The committee was headed by R. A. Rigg, director of employment services for the labor department.

claiming fruit and vegetable growers would be forced out of business. Revenue Minister Riley, whose department acts duty valuations, said the treaty gave the government ample power to protect Canadian producers.

Neither the finance nor the revenue minister said anyone when dumping duties would be applied or to what extent. They said the best judgment of the government would be exercised.

Two or three western Liberals protested against the height of the vegetable tariffs. They claimed it would increase prices on the prairie. George Ross (Lab., Moose Jaw) urged regional tariffs with free importation for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Ontario (Lab., Moose Jaw) vegetables were not grown in commercial quantities.

Western Barley Too Weedy

Must Be Cleaned To Become Popular As Feed

Toronto.—Western feed barley will never achieve popularity in the east until such extraneous matter as weed seeds is removed in the cleaning process, the national nutrition committee was told by Prof. E. W. Crampton, professor of animal nutrition at Macdonald College, Quebec.

"As available commercially, the feed grades of western barley are penalized in feeding value and in popularity in eastern Canada because of the quantities of weed seeds and other extraneous matter of low or questionable nutritional value," he said.

"Until some marked improvement in feeding grades of barley by way of a reduction in the amounts of these adulterants is effected, it is questionable if this feed will be widely used in eastern Canada." With the available modern machinery for weed cleaning, it would not be difficult to remove the weed seeds, he asserted.

Hutchinson of Duhamel, Alta., a practical farmer and member of the Alberta wheat pool, dealt with barley. What the producer most required, he maintained, was a barley that would yield early, have a good stiff straw and prove profitable to the farmer.

Referring to the problem of weeds in western barley, Mr. Hutchinson said the solution lay in better farming and in cleaning the grain on the farm. The farmer must be shown, he said, that he could make as much out of barley as he could out of wheat.

To Investigate Prices

Ottawa Will Check Up Increase On Farm Implements

Ottawa.—Arrangements were made by the agricultural committee of the House of Commons to investigate the increase in prices of farm implements last year. The committee also went on record as being "in full opinion" that the increase should not be put into effect until the committee had completed its probe.

When the Canada-United States trade agreement came into effect reducing the duties on farm implements from the United States from 25 to 12½ per cent, Canadian implement manufacturers increased their prices in their 1936 price lists. The action was debated in the Commons and the question referred to the committee.

Expect Rush Of Tourists

Ontario Health Inspector Looking Over Sanitation At Callander

Toronto.—In anticipation of the rush of tourists expected to come to see the Doune quarts this summer, the department of health has sent an inspector to Callander to examine the sanitation of the quarts. The action was debated in the Commons and the question referred to the committee.

The minister said that inspectors would also make other examinations in the north country where large numbers of visitors are expected.

Decision Favors Indians

New York.—By a customs court decision, Mrs. P. L. Garrow, Canadian Indian from St. Regis reservation in Quebec, established the right of Indians to pass back and forth over the Canada-United States border without payment of duty on household effects or small quantities of Indian-made merchandise.

FAMOUS ADMIRAL DIES

War naval hero, who died in London March 10 at the age of 65.



Lord Beatty, famous British Great War naval hero, who died in London March 10 at the age of 65.

Program Should Be Uniform

Social Legislation For All Canada Urged In Nova Scotia House

Halifax.—In a surprise move that left the Nova Scotia legislature in a hurry of excitement at adjournment, Hon. Gordon S. Harrington, Conservative opposition leader, proposed a program of social legislation for the Dominion to be obtained through amendment of the British North America Act.

Col. Harrington, who recently resigned the chairmanship of Canada's employment and social insurance commission, declared that instead of tampering with a general procedure for amending the Canadian constitution the province should agree to a specific amendment through Westminster if one is required to permit the Dominion government to engage in and at once set up the machinery necessary for such a full social program.

Suggesting maternity benefits, unemployment insurance, health insurance, accident insurance, widow's pensions, old age pensions and invalidity pensions, he said the Dominion government should adopt a complete program and have it uniform throughout Canada.

Divided On Rhine Move

Report Says Some Members Of Reich Are Opposed

Berlin.—Usually well-informed sources indicated that certain members of the German government had opposed immediate remilitarization of the Rhineland.

Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, minister of economics, Baron Von Neurath, foreign minister, and Gen. Werner Von Blomberg, minister of war, were said to have been in this group.

According to the same source, Dr. Schacht favored negotiations with the other Locarno signatories in an effort to alter existing guarantees and supply others to take their place. Gen. Von Blomberg was said to have contended the army was not strong enough to assume the responsibilities arising from reoccupation of the Rhineland.

A New Record

Moscow.—An endurance record was claimed by a red air force mechanic, J. Goshko, who kept his face in a gas mask for 116 hours, 45 minutes, except for three 15-minute periods daily when the mask was removed to permit him to eat.

PUERTO RICO SEEKS INDEPENDENCE



Pedro Camps

Agitation of the Nationalist Party to sever connections between Puerto Rico and the United States came to a head at the funeral of one of the assassins of Colonel Riggs, Chief of the Indian Police, when Pedro Camps, 36, Harvard student and leader of the party was arrested after urging independence for the island possession. Here we saw Camps urging the crowd to seek freedom from bondage.

Shipment Of Nickel Billed To Germany Held At Halifax

France Looks To Allies

Paris.—France, dropping official hints that she might prefer a "preventive war" with Nazi Germany, has to "earnestly" later, hastened to cement a chain of military alliances which would place a potential army of 400,000 men at her disposal.

A possible allied army of that magnitude was disclosed in new, if unofficial, figures to be based on an alliance of France, Soviet Russia, the Little Entente and Poland, and to embrace:

- 1—For 48-hour mobilization: 8,000,000 men; Russia, 3,000,000; Poland, 1,000,000; Rumania, 1,000,000; Yugoslavia, 1,700,000; Czechoslovakia, 1,600,000.
- 2—Additional trained reserves: 31,000,000 men.
- 3—Eight thousand aeroplanes.
- 4—A million tons of warships.

The first category of the "paper army" troops which could be mobilized within 48 hours, was reckoned approximately thus: France, 1,800,000 men; Russia, 3,000,000; Poland, 1,000,000; Rumania, 1,000,000; Yugoslavia, 1,700,000; Czechoslovakia, 1,600,000.

As for aeroplanes, France was last reported to furnish 2,400; Russia, 3,000; Yugoslavia, 800; Poland, 700; Czechoslovakia, 600, and Rumania, 500.

More Deaths Among Veterans

Government Approves \$80,000 Grant To Last Post Fund

Ottawa.—Deaths among war veterans are rapidly increasing in number. Hon. C. G. Power, minister of pensions and national health, told the House of Commons as it approved a grant of \$80,000 to the Last Post Fund.

The minister said the fund was established in 1921 to provide burial and interment for ex-servicemen and the number of men buried with the funds' resources had steadily increased since then. In the fiscal year 1934-35 the number had risen to 606. Indications were it was still far from reaching its peak as the veterans were getting older.

Shipping Cattle To Canada

Montreal.—Approximately 1,000 head of Canadian cattle would be shipped from Montreal to the British market every week in the coming shipping season, R. J. Large, of the firm of Stephenson and Large, of Birkbeard and London, buyers of Canadian cattle, said on returning from a Dominion tour as far west as Saskatoon.

Visit From Lord Mayor

Vancouver.—The Lord Mayor of London has signified his intention of attending Vancouver's Golden Jubilee celebrations this year and Secretary of State Cordell Hull will probably represent the United States if President Roosevelt is unable to visit the city. Mayor G. G. McGeer said.

Hitler Is Determined To Keep Sovereignty Of The Rhineland

Karlsruhe, Germany.—Adolf Hitler, widely cheered by an election meeting of 60,000 persons, proclaimed that "nothing will move us to renounce" Nazi sovereignty in the Rhineland but, assured France, Czechoslovakia and Poland that "armed German forces will not move against them."

In a campaign speech loaded with appeals for "comradely sense of solidarity" he criticized sharply what he called Soviet interference with the tranquility of other nations.

The Reichsläucher reaffirmed his overtures for a new European peace pact, characterizing his offer as the "most unambiguous ever made anywhere."

His denunciation of Russia was based on a double criticism of Soviet policy, extending even to what he declared was an "international move."

Harbor police stood guard over a shipment of Canadian nickel consigned to Germany which arrived from Toronto by railroad.

"We're sorry, but we're mum," customs officials told reporters.

John H. Mitchell, of P. E. Warren's Halifax agents for the American Hampton Roads Line, said:

"All I know about the cases is that they are from Toronto and according to the bill of lading there are 73 of them containing nickel cathodes consigned to Hamburg, Germany."

From Ottawa came word that the customs authorities had detained the shipment as a precautionary measure to prevent any violation of economic sanctions against Italy.

Reports that some recent shipments to Europe through Halifax had been wrongly described in bills of lading could not be confirmed here, but it was learned that within the last month more than 22,000 copper wire bars, 18,000 copper cathodes, about 20,000 barrels of nickel copper metal, 1000 tons of zinc and other materials suitable for manufacturing munitions had been shipped from this port aboard liners for Germany and other European countries.

Placed On Free List

Magazines Again Permitted To Enter Canada Without Customs

Ottawa.—Over protests from Conservative members, the house passed tariff changes in the Canada-American trade treaty which placed magazines back on the free list.

Conservative Leader Bennett led the protests, claiming Canadian publishers would lose circulation and the gates reopening to unconscious influences on character.

Finance Minister Dunning called this a legitimate and not a national danger was controlled by a tax or embargo. Canadian magazines had been on the free list since 1924, but a free tariff, although he admitted there would be difficulties to be faced by publishers.

At the same time the finance minister said he would consider appeals to reduce duties on machinery and production supplies for Canadian publishers, but he declined to forecast the contents of the budget.

Cost Of Relief Crops

Returns Taken In House Giving \$8,000,000 For Last Year

Ottawa.—Total cost of operating relief camps for unemployed men by the department of national defence during 1935 was \$8,045,000, returned in the House of Commons indicated. During the year, 75,082 men were cared for in the camps, the average length of residence being 97 days.

During the previous year 83,307 men were cared for in the camps and the total cost was \$7,462,280.

He said Canada had originally subscribed to the Locarno pact "for the sake of international understanding and peace."

Approximate population of the German Rhineland to which the fuhrer was referring, is 14,700,000.

Outlook Is Better

Not So Much Danger Of Grasshopper Pest In Alberta

In a recent address at Calgary on the insect pest outlook for Alberta in 1934, H. L. Seaman, in charge of the Dominion Entomological Laboratory at Lethbridge, said that the grasshopper outlook in Alberta was more optimistic than it had been since 1931. At the present time there were three areas of very severe infestation, the total considerably smaller than in 1933. The largest of these extended from Three Hills to Munson; the second centered on Youngstown, and the third on Cowley. Also, there were several areas of severe infestation, one extending from Monarch to Nobleford; one from Carmanagay to Champion, and one centering on Norton. Further north, there were several similar areas where control measures will probably be necessary, extending from Trechu, Beiseker, and Standring, east and north to the Saskatchewan boundary from Alasko to Kilmory Lake. The rest of the area which was infested during the last two years was expected to have only very local outbreaks which might require control measures if the season were dry.

Not For Experiment

But Dionne Babies Will Receive Every Benefit Of Science

The Dionne quintuplets never will be used as human guinea pigs, Dr. Allan Roy Dufour, their physician, assured 1,000 members of the Empire Club in a luncheon address at Toronto. They would be given every benefit of advanced medical science but never would be the basis of experimentation.

In a 50-minute talk the Canadian physician told of the birth and development of the youngsters, thanked everyone who had helped him and told of their part in advanced medical science. "Then, there's myself. I look after the odds and ends."

He said the babies would never be taken away from the parents, Oliva and Elzire Dionne. A more "peaceful" pass had been reached in the relations between the parents and guardians. The parents visited the children's hospital every day now and Mrs. Dionne helped with the babies' baths and changed them. He hoped they would take a greater part in the children's care in the future.

Late King Disliked Show

Did Not Want Publicity About His Private Affairs

King George loathed ostentation and publicity where his private activities were concerned. The late Lord Penborough, keeper of the Privy Purse, told a story only five days before his death which well illustrates this trait.

A certain farm-manager on one of the royal farms bought a bull at a very high price. It swept the board at all agricultural shows. Finally it was sold at an even higher price. The King said nothing until the animal had gone. Then, one Sunday afternoon, on his usual walk around the farm, he enquired what they had not bought some rather expensive cattle recently.

The farm-manager agreed. But, he added, the bull had won many prizes and had been sold at a good profit.

"Understand this," the King replied, "it is an extraordinary farmer and exhibit my beasts in competition with other farmers. They can't pay high prices and neither will I. As for winning prizes by paying large sums for beasts, any Hoggendence can do that. I won't."

Claims Wet Spot Title

The wettest spot in the world isn't in Hawaii after all. For years it has been supposed that the world's heaviest rainfall was on Mount Waialeale, in the American territory of Hawaii, with an average of 451 inches. Now the United States weather bureau at Honolulu admits that it has heard from Cherappalli, India, where the average annual rainfall for sixty years has been 457 inches.

B.C. Forest Production

Forest products of British Columbia produced during 1933 had a value of \$56,941,000, an increase of nearly \$11,500,000 over the value for 1932, according to a report from the forest branch made public by Hon. A. Wells Gray, minister of lands.

Teacher: Johnny, what do you consider the great accomplishment of the ancient Romans?

Johnny: Speaking Latin.

Possibly the fellow who used to eat peas on a knife started this balanced diet business.

BRITAIN COMMENCES TO STRENGTHEN HER NAVY



Great Britain has started a very ambitious campaign to strengthen her defense—army, navy and air force—and it is estimated that \$250,000,000 will be spent within the next three years. The "Orestes" leaving the slipway after being christened by Lady Evans, wife of Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Evans, Commander-in-Chief of the "Nore". The submarine was laid down in August, 1934, and will be completed about the end of this year. Her length is 271 feet 6 inches, breadth 25 feet 6 inches, with a standard displacement of 1,520 tons.

Where Old Customs Rule

Nothing Modern About Weddings In France's Basque Country

Ancient marriage customs persist in the Basque country, though in most other respects the Basques have gone as modern as Parisians. The Basque maiden may wear Paris hats over her permanent wave, but when she gets married she follows the rites of her grandmother's day. One way they have of peeping into the future is to shake a pail of water into ripples. The girl who does this will catch a vision of her future husband. She can accomplish the same purpose by breaking eggs on another person's head. If she knows anybody enough to collaborate.

Weddings gifts, in Basque land, are sent to the church. On the wedding morning the church's front yard, if the couple are popular, resembles a market place. Chairs, tables, cupboards, beds, crockery and cooking utensils are piled high. Among the bride's gifts is a "herd-rader," a wooden pitcher made of staves and bound with brass bands, often elaborately chiseled. In this receptacle all her life long she will fetch water from the spring. The groom invariably carries one more "mashin" wooden sticks of medlar wood, heavily ringed with brass. This stick is the husband's badge of authority.

Antique Basque wisdom requires that the bride and groom should be of equal age, fortune and social rank. Immense wedding cakes are the outstanding feature of the Basque wedding procession. The number and size of the cakes are an indication of the popularity of the couple. The cakes are carried shoulder high on broad trenchers, and sometimes there are a dozen or more. Only one, however, is a real cake—usually the milkiest and least ornate of the lot. The other cakes are of cardboard and other materials, in imitation of the real cakes of previous centuries. They are prized as heirlooms and brought out to grace the weddings of succeeding generations.

Wants To Locate Owner

Silver Watch Found During War By Canadian V.C. Holder

Eighteen years of persistent inquiry by Captain Charles Rutherford, V.C., of Toronto, for the German owner of the silver watch he picked up during the World War may be rewarded when he revisits French battlefields during the Vimy pilgrimage this summer. An inscription on the watch shows it belonged to Emil Wetzel of Pompey and Captain Rutherford is going to take time off from the Vimy unveiling to return the watch if its owner can be found.

History Repeats Itself

Some in-law, brothers-in-law, uncles and cousins of Mr. Mussolini are reported serving in the front-line trenches in Ethiopia. Which reminds us of what Artemus Ward said during the Civil War, "I'm for Joe Glorie," said Artemus, "and I won't stand for no surrender or no backdown. I want this crewel war to go on if it takes the last relative my wife's got."

A new bird food, devised to help pet birds get a balanced ration, is said to contain milk as a chief constituent, and also egg yolk. 2142

Infra-Red Rays Guide Owls

Living Things Give Off Body Heat

Infra-red light rays guide owls to their prey at night, according to Dr. Ian Mc. Cowan, assistant biologist at the provincial museum at Victoria, B.C. All living things give off heat, and the infra-red rays from that heat were visible to the owls, he said. However, many of these birds confined all their hunting to the daytime.

He also noted how the four groups of hawks — the short-winged bird hawks, broad-winged rodent hawks, long-winged falcons and fish hawks — were adapted to their mode of life. The bird hawks, which preyed on small birds among trees and shrubbery, were built for maneuverability, with short wings and long tails. The broad-winged hawks were suited for high soaring and fast diving on small rodents in the open. The long-winged falcons, a class to which the hunting birds of olden times belonged, were designed for speed. They were capable of speeds up to 100 miles an hour. They hunted on the wing, killing their prey with a stunning blow of their closed talons, not their claws, and catching it as it dropped. They sometimes even ate their victims as they flew.

The fish hawks had sharp spines on their feet for holding slippery fish.

The bald eagles victimized the fish hawks, grabbing their food from them in mid-air. The eagles also had a system of co-operation in attacking diving birds. Hunting in pairs, they would wait until the bird had dived under water, and then take it in turns to force it back again each time it came to the surface, until the victim died of suffocation.

An Englishman, W. Greener, invented the first modern cartridge in 1835, but the British government turned it down as impractical.

The skin of a human being is about 10 times thicker on the palms of the hands and the soles of the feet than it is on the eyelids.

Profitable Oil Cans

Petrol-Tins Needed To Carry Water To The Ethiopian Army

The American oil-can and British petrol-tin, symbols of white man's civilization in the deserts of East Africa, are being smuggled into Ethiopia to-day to serve as water vessels for the troops of Haile Selassie.

Painted and used as flower pots, punched full of holes and transformed into shower-baths by the natives of French and British Somaliland, these discarded receptacles suddenly have become of military importance. They are worth more to-day as canteens than the hundred and one things they can be made into by the blacks of the African coast.

Quick to exploit the demand, the natives have embarked on a profitable oil-can business. Camel caravans and strings of mules are being utilized to transport this strange merchandise over ancient slave routes into Ethiopia. One empty tin sells for as high as one taler.

Thousands of five-gallon tins, carried on the shoulders of the women following the bearded warriors of Ethiopia, are as good as aqueducts or modern pipelines.

For years Somaliland people have made use of Djibouti's tin. All the flowers of Djibouti's Plain, Moshi and from oil and gasoline containers that have been painted blue, green and yellow.

In the native villages the cooking is done over charcoal stoves made from a petrol tin. Abroad the native shows which sell the Gule of Aden, they are utilized as life preservers, while in the harbor they are painted red and made into buoys.

Any self-respecting native hut is roofed with oil cans, and if the owner is really wealthy it will be wallpapered with their tin as well.

Bananas from the tropics are marketed as far north as Alaska and Spitzbergen.

White painted finger nails were fashionable in Egypt, 1150 B.C.

International Understanding

Free Interchange Of News Between Canada And U.S. A Potent Force

Free interchange of news between Canada and the United States stands among the "other relations" that must be linked with successful trade expansion, Major James G. Parmelee, deputy minister of trade and commerce for Canada, told the World Trade Committee at Detroit.

Sponsors of the new trade agreements between the neighboring nations hoped it would lead to mutually advantageous trade expansion and stronger ties of friendship, but trade expansion can be successfully accomplished only through those other relations.

Dissemination of news between the adjoining countries, said the deputy minister, "goes far toward the fostering of better understanding."

"While Canadian newspapers secure much news matter by direct cable from various parts of the world," he continued, "they rely very largely upon a co-operative arrangement between the Canadian Press and the Associated Press for information on world doings and activities."

Major Parmelee quoted from an address of J. F. B. Livesey, general manager of the Canadian Press, in which the relations between the Canadian Press and the Associated Press were explained and the point made that trained Canadian newspapermen handle and make news output of the Associated Press.

"It is of course natural that in connection with this interchange the Canadian Press editors will usually have regard for the British connection and Canadian national spirit," said Major Parmelee. "Supplementary or complementary cable services are utilized in maintaining the balance in their favor."

"I am of the opinion that propaganda and half-truths are less prevalent in the news disseminated on this continent than in certain other older parts of the world."

Radio likewise played its part in creating better understanding between nations, said the deputy minister, mentioning particularly addresses of the president and King Edward's "simple message of goodwill."

When Brain Is Tired

Human Mind Drops Toward Animal Level, Says Psychology Study

After 10,000 experiments in which college students on federal relief payrolls were stimulated by pretzels, candies and imaginary stock, a Columbia University psychologist concluded that human minds drop toward the animal level when tired or when in emotional stress.

Dr. Gregory S. Razran, the experimenter, said the tests showed that human thinking was unpredictable. Although it fell into three levels—animal, child and adult.

His subjects were 37 students of Sixth Lowndes College employed by the national youth administration. Saliva secretion was measured as the students were offered foods and submitted to metronome and buzzer.

"The nearest thing to automatic action . . . occurs during fatigue action," he said, "and is determined by a person rather than by reasons."

Approaching the animal level of mind," Dr. Razran said.

Day-dreaming brings an adult temporarily back to a child's way of thinking, he said.

A Real Scotsman

King Edward Said He Was One And Proved It

When the King left Glasgow for London on the regular night train after his visit to inspect the liner Queen Mary, Lord Provost John Stewart, chuckling, said: "he's a very human man—so human that in the afternoon, at tea in my private room, he showed me how to balance a penny."

"I tried to emulate him, and when I had failed he said, 'please give me back my penny. You know I am a Scotsman.'"

Shattering another tradition of the royal family King Edward refused a special royal train for the journey and had a special car put on a regular train. His father, King George V., always traveled by special train.

It would be nice to be remembered as long as a storm is. Few persons alive in '88 are referred to as often as that year's blizzard.

Chemists have succeeded in making some of the most useful drugs again by a treatment of hydrochloric acid.

Spain is now practically free from labor disputes.

Chinaware Lengthened Life Of Humanity

Wooden Trenchers Used In Primitive Days Collected Germs

How the manufacture of chinaware in England in the time of Queen Elizabeth increased the span of life of the people, was revealed in an interesting address in Toronto by Prof. C. G. Curdell, of the Royal Ontario Museum.

In the primitive days there were two kinds of people, those who sat on the floor to eat and those who used tables. The former ate out of a hollowed pot and lived to old age while the latter ate out of the old wooden trenchers and they died off at an early age. Over a period of years the trencher collected as great a variety of germs as could be found in any laboratory. The people were poisoned to death and died very rapidly.

At the time of Queen Elizabeth the average age of death was eight years, the speaker declared. Europe's population doubled within 100 years for more than 1,000 years until the invention of plates. In the first 60 years after plates were used in England, the population doubled owing to the increased cleanliness. "That is perhaps one of the greatest gifts we owe to China," Prof. Curdell declared.

The speaker pointed out that silk was a great boon to the women of Italy in the making of clothing which kept off the flies and allowed the air to penetrate to the skin. For 1,400 years men wore robes without stirrups until the Han, living on the border of China, invented them, he said. The coming of the northern chieftain into Europe founded the English feudal system.

"Nobody knows when gunpowder was invented, but the Chinese had it many centuries ago," Prof. Curdell pointed out. "The oldest form of printing we have was invented by the Japanese."

Popular Weather Lore

Opinion Of Meteorologist Is That Weather Cannot Be Forecasted

That bit of lore about March stealing in like a lamb and roaring out like a lion, Meteorologist William H. Alexander of Columbus, Ohio, said, is in the same category with a dozen or more popular weather signs.

"But you can't make a lot of people believe those examples of folklore are absolutely valuable in determining what the weather will be a week, a month, or a year hence," Alexander said.

Among the other beliefs Alexander declared, these were those: "That the moon causes or even influences weather changes."

"That weather for a season is determined by the weather of the year before happens to prevail on any certain calendar day."

"That the character of a coming season will be determined by the behavior of animals, the thickness of fur grown by animals, or the thickness of bark on trees."

But that any one has yet found a sure method of foretelling the weather a year ahead, or of producing rain artificially."

Enemy Of Weak Heart

Heavy Meal Offers Serious Death States Boston Doctor

Boston meals were named in the Journal of the American Medical Association as the number one enemies of weak hearts.

Heavy eating is a major "precipitating cause" of death from coronary thrombosis, or heart block, Dr. C. Phillips, of Boston, said in a list of fatalities from this ailment. It is better for susceptibles to eat small meals and more of them than to jam the digestive system with excessive amounts of food at one time, the New Englander asserted.

All He Needed

He was so bashful that he had never got married. One day an insurance agent got hold of him.

"Why not take out a \$10,000 policy in favor of your wife?" he urged.

"But I'm not married."

"You will be as soon as the news gets out," said the agent, confidently.

A School Of Glass

The traditional little red school house was replaced by a fitting, Minn., to a symbol of progress—a little glass schoolhouse. Ready for 120 students a new school building has walls of structural vacuum glass designed to allow penetration of sunlight.

Few things are as expensive as those we try to get for nothing.



WHO SAID HE COULDN'T MAKE A COMBACK? —Blushup in the St. Louis Star-Times.

Diamonds Have Become Indispensable Article In All Industrial Processes

Diamonds, once regarded merely as glittering gems for the adornment of feminine beauty, and coveted for their value, are now playing an important part in industry.

Today there are far more diamonds used for industrial purposes than as gems. But, as hardness alone is needed for industry and not color and water, their value is less than those used for adornment.

Industrial diamonds cost from \$2 to \$5 a carat. A flawless gem may realize \$100 a carat.

The grinding, preparing, and sale of industrial diamonds is another industry which has become preponderantly British.

London is now the centre of the trade, practically 95 per cent. of the world's production of industrial diamonds being dealt with in a few hundred yards of Hatfield street.

Where once Amsterdam and Antwerp were the world centres of the diamond trade, London now reigns supreme. Amsterdam and Antwerp still do most of the diamond cutting and polishing, but the stones come to the London market.

Practically every industry now uses diamonds in one or more of its processes.

And it is diamonds, used for cutting the hardest of metals with extreme accuracy, and for sharpening and grinding modern machinery and grinding tools, that have in part enabled mass production with its greater rapidity and lower costs, to be brought into general use.

Industrial diamonds play the most important part in producing pipe-stems, electrical light filaments, cutting and shaping stone, marble and metal, and in a fraction of the time previously occupied, and in boring for coal and oil.

Scientists and engineers in recent years have increased the hardness of metals so much, particularly for tool steel, that it has been found extremely difficult to get metal tools to work them.

When it was found that diamond pointed tools would cut them like cheese, diamonds became a general demand.

Rock drilling has been speeded up so tremendously by the diamond that the diamond-faced borers now are used through 18 inches of the hardest granite in an hour, even at a depth of 2,000 feet in the ground.

From the turning of vulcanite pistons to the making of motor cars, there is hardly an industry which does not use diamonds in some form or other. Mr. White, of the Diamond Development Company, said:

"All the big dealers in diamonds are now in London, and it is from here that they are sent all over the world. There is also a rapidly growing industry in this country in the manufacture of diamond-faced tools for all kinds of purposes."

"Such things as motor car pistons and new machine tools, diamond-edged tools, which give very great accuracy and a much smoother finish than can be obtained in any other way."

"Electric light filaments, which are made from very hard wire, are drawn through a diamond in which a hole has been bored. Extreme accuracy is necessary in this process, so that the very fine wire shall always be of the same thickness."

"When metal dies were used the hole gradually got larger, altering the thickness of the wire and changing the voltage it would stand, but many tons of wire can be drawn through a diamond without the hole changing in size at all."

"From being purely a luxury article diamonds have during the last few years become an indispensable article in all kinds of industrial processes, and the demand for them is increasing every year as new uses for them are discovered. Fortunately the output has increased in step with the demand."

Was Night At That?

An Englishman who was traveling in the United States, was asked to draw the highways in the United States compared with those in England, and he replied that there was a contractor by the name of Dixie and another by the name of Little that built excellent highways in the United States; but there was a Frenchman by the name of Delour whose work was terrible.

If you promise to meet a person at 3.30, always be there at 4. Then you have only five minutes to wait.

China was the first land to adopt paper money, 807 A.D.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

KNOW YOUR CAMERA

Remember that snapshots of your child doing something make the most fascinating pictures for your memory album.



Judging from the letters the Guild has received old Santa Claus must have pulled many cameras out of his bag and quite generously presented them to those all ages.

Although modern day film has for a certain amount of variation in shutter speed and lens aperture, some owners of new cameras seem to be having a little trouble in getting properly exposed snapshots.

Well, the first time you played golf you didn't get a perfect drive, did you? It's practice and experimenting that make for improvement.

Here's a suggestion that will help you get better results; that is, if you follow it.

When you take a picture make a note of the "stop" you used. By that I mean, the first or second opening. If you have a box camera, or if you have a folding camera you should also make note of the speed of the shutter, that is, 1/25th of a second, 1/50th of whatever it may have been. When the prints are returned you can look at them and say to yourself—"This one of Billie is awfully dark and doesn't show up as I expected. Let's see now—I took this picture at noon at 1/50th of a second and had the diaphragm set at f11. A little too late to get the proper exposure under a hazy sky."

The next time, under the same conditions, I'll either set the diaphragm at f8 to let in more light or else leave the diaphragm opening at f11 and set the shutter speed at 1/125th of a second so as to give the picture a longer exposure." You can hardly see how valuable and important this information would be to help improve the quality of your pictures.

A Versatile Couple
Canada's new Governor-General and his wife may be safely classed as the most versatile couple to ever occupy Rideau Hall. His place in literature is prominently assured for all time and in Kingston, Ontario, a play from her pen, "The Visions of the Inn," was presented in connection with a drama festival.

Honor is a harder master than the law.

DON'T BE ENVOIOUS—YOU CAN CROCHET THESE TOO!

Will Be Advantage
Light Colored Clothes For Children Might Help Prevent Accidents
"Don't buy your children black raincoats, if you have any regard for their safety," said Dr. B. Corbett, commissioner of public safety at Milwaukee and chairman of the U.S. National Safety Council, in his address to the Board of Trade at Saint Ste. Marie, Ont.
Even for adults, said Dr. Corbett, black raincoats had been enough, but on children they were particularly dangerous, for raincoats were ordinarily worn at times when visibility is poor and motorists do not get a proper chance to see children who might be on the highway.
"Buy your children raincoats of light colors," was his advice and he further suggested that light colored play clothes for children were also an advantage for the same reason.

Still The Railway Age

People Appreciate Service When Snow Blocks Highways

What we are wondering now is what we would do without the railways. With our paved highways buried under feet of accumulating snow that no plow could keep clean; with transport trucks, buses and cars stalled and buried in snow all along the highways, how would we have moved and lived and had our being if it had not been for the railways?

The truth is that we are not quite so fast and so smart as we thought we were. We haven't got past the railway yet, and as far as that, this country is concerned, we probably never will.—Huron, Ont., Exporter.

The nearest star in the firmament is 25,000,000,000,000 miles from the earth.

Sweet potatoes form the second largest vegetable crop in the United States. 2142

Early Canadian Currency Tells Story Of Pioneer Business And Finance

British Farmers Get Break
Titles Loved Against Land For Centuries Now Abolished

To end the controversy which has vexed Britain for more than a century, the government announced legislation to abolish titles paid by landowners to churches.

British farmers have revolted several times in the last few years, particularly in Norfolk, Suffolk and Kent counties, where farmers have been hard pressed since the depression.

Titles have been levied against land in Britain since the seventh century and since 1704 they have been collected for the benefit of the Church of England, under an act of Queen Anne known as "Queen Anne's Bounty." The revenues, which originally amounted to about \$100,000 a year, were intended for the benefit of poor curates. In recent years they have risen to a total of about \$11,000 annually.

During 1934, when several serious protests occurred, British farmers followed the passive resistance tactics of Mahatma Gandhi by tying in the paths of the roads which officials sent to their farms to confiscate cattle and grain in payment of overdue tithes.

In a protest last spring a sign was chalked on the side of a church, "Churchmen, be sporting and pay for your own religion."

Plans for changing the tithes system, which has been a knotty problem for several centuries, were introduced in Parliament two years ago, but the issue was adestepted because it cut across party lines. Last December a proposal was introduced for abolishing tithes. They date from pre-Biblical days when land owners were assessed their whole "first fruits" and thereafter one-tenth of each year's produce.

Prefers Commercial Life

Australian-Born Chinese Does Not Like Market Gardening

Melbourne, Australia, is contemplating the ending of the market garden of a familiar figure—the Chinese market gardener. In ten years the whole "first fruits" and thereafter one-tenth of each year's produce.

It is not necessary to be a Boy Scout to do a good turn a day.

Women Homesteaders
Total Of 400 Claims Registered Last Year In Alberta
Homesteaders are flocking into the Edmonton and northern districts in indicating a definite back to the land movement according to the annual report of the provincial land department tabled in the legislature by Hon. C. C. Ross, minister of lands and mines.

For the calendar year of 1935 homestead entries were 1,636 and of the number 1,012 were registered at the Edmonton office. Women farmers or "farmerettes" are also coming into the picture more largely than hitherto, according to the report. Not less than 490 of the total homestead entries during the year were registered by women.

Over Million In Bonuses
The government paid \$1,033,869 in bonuses during the latter half of 1935, according to information given in the House of Commons by Agriculture Minister Gardiner.

By provinces included: Saskatchewan, \$5,741; Alberta, \$11,232; British Columbia, \$4,996.

Schultz—"Your opening sale has closed. What now?"

Schwartz—"Our closing sale opens."

Ice skating on a dance floor laid out like a multi-colored checker board is popular in Moscow, Russia, this winter.

Echoes of Canada's early days when a dollar was a "plaster" and "pieces eight" were practically units of currency, reached Montreal a short time ago via the International Banking route.

From a bank in the United States, The Royal Bank of Canada received for redemption a bundle of old bills issued by the Union Bank, Montreal, Lower Canada, and dated 1838. Thin, some of them slightly dog-eared, the printing faded, they must have lain in some bottom drawer or old chest for nearly 100 years. There were 83 individual bills in the bundle in denominations of \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5 and \$10. Their total value was approximately \$140.00.

The bills themselves tell a romantic story of Canadian pioneer business and finance. On the face of the "510" is a representation of a railroad train, presumably the Quebec and Montreal Railway, in operation between Laprairie and St. Johns, Que., in 1836, two years before the bills were issued. By a coincidence, The Royal Bank of Canada this year has issued a calendar depicting the opening of this railway.

It is interesting to note, too, that the bills are printed in a polyglot of English, French and Spanish. The word "dollar" is translated on the opposite side into "piastre" in French, English and a combination of French and Spanish, for the use of the word "piastre" and its existence in financial parlance 100 years ago.

Halifax and other Maritime merchants, however, were familiar with this term through their dealings with many Spanish business men trading in the Maritime ports. Spanish currency was then common in Canada, particularly in the East and "piastre" were generally accepted.

These currency notes then came from this same term that our common expressions "two bits" and "four bits" originated; for the "piastre" was divided into eight equal parts, the "pieces of eight" of popular fiction, each piece being a "bit"; thus a dollar became a quarter or 25c, four bits, 50c, and so on.

Other details of the old bills bring to light other unusual facts connected with the ending and financial practices of the early days. At that time there was no legal currency in Canada. Groups of men organized themselves from time to time into local banks and issued bills to facilitate business dealings. Frequently the currency was issued individual, or "bearer," that is, one of the \$5 bills of the 1838 issue reads: "Union Bank paid to bearer \$5. H. Harvey or bearer." Mr. Harvey's name being written in by the bank.

This story, unfortunately, has a sad ending. The bills were not wanted, and the bank failed. The "Union Bank of Lower Canada," however, did exist and later became the Union Bank of Canada, which was absorbed by The Royal Bank of Canada, and it is perhaps because of this circumstance and the confusion between the names of the two banks that these old bills have found their way to The Royal Bank of Montreal.

Saidest of all, the "Counterfeit Detector," used by bankers as a book of reference, states in cold, unemotional language: "Union Bank of Montreal; bank unknown and notes worthless."

But in this the "Counterfeit Detector" is wrong; the bills are not worthless. People interested in old coins and bills value them at 10c each. Thus, by the passage of time, \$140.00 becomes a mere \$5.50.

Transfer Was Success

The successful transfer of a living being from one fifth's body to another was described at George Washington University by Professor George Bain Jenkins. He told of keeping transparent hearts living in embryos of sea anemones for from eight to 10 days. "The hearts slow down a little at first, but after an hour they resume their normal speed," he said.

These still on relief in the United States almost equal in numbers the total population of Canada.

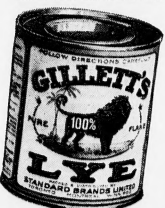
For resources in the United States yield an annual income to trappers of \$65,000,000.



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All Parties Represented

Committee Chosen To Study Elections Act And Amendments
Justice Minister Lapointe has announced the personnel of a special committee of the House of Commons to study the Dominion Elections Act of 1934 and amendments. All parties are represented on the committee which comprises 22 Liberals, five Conservatives, one C.P.F., one Social Creditist and three members of the Reconstruction party.

"It says the man was shot by his wife at close range."
"Then there must have been powder marks on the body."
"Yes, that's why she shot him."

Instant Relief From ITCHING

Are you tormented with the itching tortures of eczema, eczema, scabies, rashes or other skin afflictions? For quick and happy relief use pure, cooling, antipruritic, liquid D.D. D. Prescription. It gently soothes the irritated and inflamed skin, thus restores nature itself to heal the disorder. No stains—4-up mugs. Clear, granular and fine—dries up almost immediately. Stops the most intense itching instantly. A nice trial bottle, at drug stores, will prove it's money back. D.D. D. Prescription is made by the makers of Ictosan Balm.

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Daylight saving will be in effect in Toronto and Montreal from April 26 until Sept. 27, city councils decided.

The Franco-Canadian treaty of navigation signed at Ottawa, December, 1933, has been ratified by the senate.

European wheat production will fall below last year. It was forecast by the Institute of International Agriculture in a report showing a general drop in winter crops.

The Australian government has decided to erect a group of bronze statues in front of the parliament buildings at Canberra as a memorial to King George V.

Traffic returned to normal in London after a one day strike of 1,000 taxi, bus and street car drivers as a protest against ordering shortening their lunch hours.

The Dominion resolution to provide pensions for the blind passed in the House of Commons but Finance Minister Dunning held out no hope that pensions would be paid this year.

Total ordinary revenue of the Dominion government for the month of February was reported in the Canada Gazette at \$23,023,032 compared with \$23,292,909 in Feb., 1935, a decrease of \$269,876.

The 1936 British Mount Everest expedition, led by 31-year-old Hugh Rutledge, left Darjeeling, India, in an attempt to conquer the world's highest mountain with the blessing of Buddhist Lamas.

Fingerprints of all persons obtaining permits to carry revolvers will be taken and kept on file by provincial police, it was announced by Lieut.-Col. L. Lambert, chief of the Quebec division.

Imports Not Heavy

Canada Manufactures Ninety-Two Per Cent. Of Soap Used

The cost to Canada is more than \$9,000,000 a year to keep moderately clean and the women of the country pay two-thirds of that amount for ordinary household or laundry soap, soap flakes, chips and powdered soap, according to information received from the department of trade and commerce in Ottawa. The remainder of the amount is paid out for toilet and castile soap of which nearly two and a half pounds are used annually for every man, woman and child in the country.

Ninety-two per cent. of the soap that slips out of the soap dish, that is rubbed behind Johnny's ears and smears in father's eye when he shaves, is made in the Dominion, while local manufacturers contribute an even greater percentage of the huge bars that melt in the dishwasher or disappear in the washing machine.

The United States is Canada's best customer for soap while it at the same time supplies Canada with most of its soap imports. Exports to the United States last year totalled \$694,928 while imports amounted to \$344,980.

Classes in skiing are now being held at Nice, France.

For Kiddies—Cotton—and Crochet



PATTERN 5554

Lacy—alloy—healthy, best describes this open mesh frock for little girls who like to play in the sunshine. You can easily construct a simple style in colored string, for the body's entirety of a simple stitch, with contrasting yoke of the same stitch worked more closely. Isn't the finished mesh irresistible?

In pattern 5554 you will find directions for making the dress shown in sizes 4-6 and 8 (all given in one pattern); illustrations of it and of all stitches used; material requirements.

To obtain this pattern send 20 cents in stamps or coin (coin preferred) to Household Arts Dept., Winnipeg Newsprint Co., 375 McLeod Ave. E., Winnipeg.

There is no Alice Brooks pattern book published.

Find Out

From Your Doctor
if the "Pain" Remedy
You Take Is Safe

Don't Entrust Your
Own or Your Family's
Well-Being to Unknown
Preparations

BEFORE you take any preparation you don't know all about, for the relief of headaches or the pains of rheumatism, neuritis or neuralgia, ask your doctor what he thinks about it—in comparison with "Aspirin."

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Snappy Clothes For Navy

British Admiralty Has Announced Some Radical Changes

Britain's navy is going all dinky. Not satisfied with attractive white shoes and new ties, in addition to the option of cocoa or chocolate instead of rum, Jolly Jack is now to be issued with a sports shirt of the most charming blue rayon.

And this is not all. Pajamas in attractive colors are to be offered in the canteens at \$2.50 a pair, made of the best artificial silk. For an extra quarter, the initials of the wearer can be obtained, also in silk, to be sewn on the pocket of the pajamas.

Gone also are the official canvas kit bags and henceforth Jack will be issued with a smart imitation leather suit case.

When ashore, Jack may, if he wishes, discard his belt bottom pants for a smart new rig of navy serge, with white collar and black tie.

These innovations have just been announced from the Admiralty in a document to commanders of the fleet who are asked to co-operate in every possible way in "helping seamen to adapt themselves to new and more attractive clothing."

What Jack will have to say about these silk pajamas if he happens to be suddenly called by his bunk for extra duty on a stormy night in the North Sea remains to be heard, but will hardly be publishable.

No Candy For Quints

Probably Will Have Ice Cream At Birthday Party

Interviewed during his visit in New York about his charges and their future, Dr. Allan Roy Bafos, physician to the Doonee quintuplets, said:

"None of them has yet tasted ice cream or candy. We'll probably give them their first taste of ice cream at their birthday party in May. Their normal diet includes spinach, soup, orange juice and all the other things which a mother feeds a normal baby. We do not have much trouble with them. Marie, the youngest, is a little impatient, perhaps. But we are teaching them to depend on themselves and on each other. They form a little combine together."

Their mental development is normal, and they are leading happy lives. They can say "Bonjour and au revoir," for so far they are learning to talk only in French, the family tongue, the doctor said. "I hope that they will be able to meet and mix with their brothers and sisters before they are three or four years old."

Pottery Clays In Canada

Fireclay Deposits Found In All But Two Provinces

Pottery clays are not widely distributed in Canada, states the Department of Mines, but there are a number of deposits of importance, particularly of china clay, in Quebec and British Columbia.

Deposits of fireclay are known in the compounding of porcelain, in Saskatchewan; and of stone-ware and earthenware clays in Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and Alberta. With the exception of Prince Edward Island, and Manitoba, all the provinces of Canada are known to possess deposits of fireclay. Several pits occur in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

"Aspirin" Trade Mark Sustained

A warning is found in the judgment just given by the Exchequer Court of Canada at Ottawa, in an action brought by The Bayer Company, Limited, owner of the trade mark "Aspirin." The action asked a judgment of the court restraining the defendant from infringing the trade mark by selling tablets as "Aspirin" which were not the product of The Bayer Company. The judgment restrains the defendant permanently from putting out any of his own tablets as "Aspirin" or under any name so similar to "Aspirin" as to be confusing and awards The Bayer Company damages and costs.

Made Sub-Stratosphere Flight

Moscow Scientists Seek Information As To Sky's Light

The safe landing of a sub-stratosphere balloon which carried two Soviet scientists on a night to determine whether the sky has its own light, independent of the sun, was reported in despatches from the Vladimir district of Moscow province.

The scientists, who claimed to have reached an altitude of 10,000 metres (about 32,808 feet), were I. A. Khvostikov, of the Academy of Sciences, and B. I. Romanoff, of the state optical institute. They obtained 15 spectrograms.

The inscription on the American Liberty Bell may also be found in Leviticus 25:10 in the Bible.

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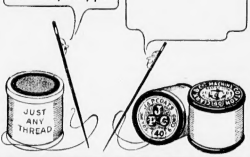
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New York Enjoyed Exhibits

Canada's Outdoors Taken To National Sportsman's Show
Mid-town New Yorkers, used to the fumes of gasoline exhaust, and traditionally afraid whenever they realize pure air is about, passed recently amid the fragrant odor of cedar and balsam in the Grand Central dome.

Canada and the great outdoors had come to New York and settled in Grand Central Palace, where, at the national sportsman's show, the nostalgic, or merely curious, wandered in replicas of Nova Scotia or Maine forests.

Every day by casting, log rolling, canoe tilting and other sports of the outdoors with vital lodging, swaying and other pastimes of the Gohatime.

A tank occupying 2,800 square feet of floor space accommodated the casters and rollers. Presiding over the sports was Needham, full-blooded Penobscot Indian from Oldtown, Me.

Canadian provinces had exhibits of animals ranging from three inch chipmunks to 1,800 pound moose.

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Amused The Farmers
A story in the London News-Chronicle says in a flight of rhetoric Randolph Churchill referred to a heifer as a "little brother." His audience of farmers in Dingwall market place roared with laughter. It was not until it was explained to Mr. Churchill that a heifer could only be a "little sister" that he appreciated the "joke."

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Science Graduates Lucky

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Prospects are good that all 176 members of the graduating class at the Faculty of Applied Sciences at the University of Toronto will find positions this spring. Brig-Gen. C. H. Mitchell, head of the faculty, said. Employment was found for last year's class of 160 with little difficulty. Electrical engineers are most in demand, followed by mechanical, mining and metallurgical engineers, with chemical engineers last.

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LINIMENT

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SYNOPSIS

The story opens with Link Fleming addressing a meeting of Boone County cattlemen, called together with the object of forming an irrigation company.

Roper Kluge, the boss of the Rawhide and nearby ranges, who seemed to approve the plan, but was really opposed to it, had forced Boke Torney, a derelict mining engineer, whom Kluge knew would be called upon to give his expert opinion in favor of the scheme, to reverse his earlier endorsement, and declare that irrigation in the county so far as Fleming's plan was concerned was only a wrong-headed way to waste money.

The meeting terminates, but Buzz Hamilton and his sister, Helen, Link and Kluge stay behind and Helen asks Fleming questions about his irrigation plan. This angers Buzz, who accuses Fleming of trying to influence his sister and she asserts, "I'm not a fool." Buzz shoots at Fleming in an uncontrollable fit of anger, but Buster Townsend, Link's former partner, is shot in the stomach, and Fleming is unhurt. Buzz is arrested and sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

Helen and Fleming form a partnership to provide irrigation for their own properties. Fleming goes home and studies the plans drawn by Torney to learn whether they could be adapted to a smaller scheme suitable for his and Helen's land, and is satisfied it could be done. Feeling cold, he lights the fire and there is an explosion that wrecks the house, burns it and the plans and renders Link unconscious. He is rescued from the blaze by an employee.

Helen and Link ride to Rawhide for supplies and to obtain funds to carry out the dam project. They meet Roper, who greets Helen and Link with her usual cordiality. He tells the Sheriff, who tells him Buzz is in the pen, and that he would arrive on the incoming stage. When he thinks Link has made a mistake in getting Buzz released.

(Now to On With The Story)

CHAPTER IX.—Continued

"No, you bet not. Me and Marty Bush swore off a couple of years ago. I thought perhaps you meant to try to win money to help us out. Because we are still in danger of being unable to finish the dam, aren't we?"

Link avoided her look as she shrugged his shoulders. "Some. But playin' in win means you're sure to lose. No, Helen, I stay in to be a treat that'll sure tickle you. Nope, can't tell you now. Wait an hour or two long."

He stood in the thick dust watching her ride away. Then with a look of fondness, the source of which was considerably deeper than casual friendship, he started for the spot where Sheriff Stephon stood waiting. "Buzz came on the evening white who were in the bank," the official noted. "I tried to stall but Jackpot M'tt an Kluge came along and made a fuss over Buzz an' insisted he have a drink with 'em. The hull gang is in the Hall Moon now."

Furrows groined Fleming's dark forehead as he surveyed the two-story false front of the saloon. "Doggone it," he exclaimed irritably, "the honestest man I ever met, they do to a youngster. Of course, Buzz is only two years younger'n me—he's twenty-one. But he seems like a kid. Sheriff, that's got to be watched all the time. This'll be a fine start for a chap just paroled from prison."

"Helen's don't know he's here?"

"Link shook his head. 'I sent her on home. Now,' he said reluctantly, starting away. 'I've got to separate Buzz from them vultures and get him out to the Triple H. Ames, it might be that if he didn't come, on account of Buzz prom'y saw he the lawmen at prison he longs to see for quite a spell.'"

"I'll let 'em alone so long as he don't go have another shootin' match. Tell Buzz I said so." And the three officers moved off.

Through a friend at the state capital Link had managed to have Buzz paroled after serving six months of the three year sentence. Fleming had gone to this trouble merely to please Helen, for with a young man as an errand brother, she was unusually attached to Buzz. So much so, in fact, that she never thought of him as a criminal and a scoundrel, but as a youth who had been unfortunate in his choice of companions. It was Helen's ambition, Link knew, to see Buzz make a man of himself so that she could one day yield him the Triple H to manage again, or divide their spread and surrender his share.

Modestly reviewing these facts, he strode inside the Hall Moon. As the swinging door swung behind him, several boaters glided up with life interest. Recognizing him, they exchanged significant looks and their eyes strayed to a large wall table

where five men sat playing cards. With something of a shock he identified the ex-convict for whose actions he was now responsible. Grey prison pallor had dimmed his former healthy tan and Buzz Hamilton's thin face was lined beyond his years. A dark, hangdog expression also persisted on his features and he had lost weight until he was almost scrawny. Loose, ill-made prison clothes hung in wrinkles about his sparsely fleshed body. The newcomer's whole appearance was little less than shocking.

Fleming's eyes caught those of the ex-convict and he forced a welcoming smile as he strode the few paces to the table. "Howdy, Buzz! Glad you're back. Say, you're looking good," he lied glibly. "Helen'll be glad—reckon there's nothin' she's wanted more than to have your help on that old Triple H spread."

The other's gaze fell. "I s'pose you are glad to see me. Got things fixed to suit yourself, Fleming, or why shouldn't you be?"

"Utterly thank you for this reply, Link. From now on, what you say means 'Buzz'." "Course I'm glad to see you! Best part is," he chuckled, striving to maintain his composure, "that your lustre eyes, 'Helen doesn't know' about this. She'll be tickled when he says up! Shall we start now?"

(To Be Continued)

Canada And Defence

Dominion Has Made No Commitments, House Of Commons

In To

Canada has made no commitments whatever with regard to empire defence or any other military activities, Prime Minister Mackenzie King told the House of Commons in answer to a question from J. S. Woodworth (C.C.F., Winnipeg, N.B.)

Mr. King said he received from Hon. Vincent Massey, high commissioner in London, the text of the statement made in the British House of Commons by Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas, secretary for the colonies. Mr. Thomas dealt with the conference of Dominion premiers in London last May and the position of the Dominions in the league.

Defence matters had been discussed when the premiers were in London for King George's Jubilee. With respect to that, former Prime Minister Bennett had said no undertaking had been asked or given. Mr. King said he could say the same thing about commitments passed between the governments of Canada and the United Kingdom since the Liberals came into office.

It had been understood, said Mr. King, that Canada as a member of the league took responsibility only for those steps which had been taken by Canada on its own behalf.

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Little Helps For This Week

Whatever a man roweth that shall he also reap, Galatians 6:7.

Sow love and taste its fruitage pure.

Sow peace and reap its harvest bright.

Sow sunbeams on the rock and reap a harvest home of light.

The life above is the fruit of the life below. The inclinations of the soul which must issue hereafter in perfection must be trained in as throughout the whole course of this earthly life. The future perfection of the soul is not a transition from one state or disposition of the soul into another, but the carrying out as it were the blossom and fruitage of the one and same principle of spiritual life which through their career on earth has been sown into the soil of the soul, reaching upward after perfect holiness.

Trans-Atlantic Air Service

Semi-Weekly Flights Between Britain And America To Start This Summer

Eugene L. Vidal, United States director of air commerce, told an American Legion meeting, semi-weekly trans-Atlantic flights between Great Britain and North America will start this summer on regular schedule.

Imperial Airways and Pan-American Airways each will send two planes a week across the Atlantic, Vidal said. Passenger service, however, will not be inaugurated for "some time."

The planes will use the Newfoundland and Ireland route in summer and the Azores and Bermuda route in winter.

France plans eventually to make the Atlantic flight in a single jump, Vidal said, while German aeroplanes will use catapult ships in the vicinity of the Azores.

Thousands Of Mail Contracts

Postmaster-General Elliott, at the House of Commons, 12,000 contracts for transportation of mail are in operation in Canada at present. The number in process include: Saskatchewan, 1,423; Alberta, 1,104; British Columbia, 802; Yukon, 14.

The Croydon, Surrey, Eng., library collects an average of \$500 monthly in fines imposed for keeping books over time.

Home Of The Future

University Professor Sees It As Vacuum Bottle Style

A house built on the vacuum bottle principle may be the forerunner, a Northwestern University professor said, of the air conditioned home of the future.

His walls are 14 inches thick, its windows never open and its heating system functions without registers or radiators.

Frederick Stearns, assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Northwestern University, has had under observation for a year. During that time, he said, because of the automatic air conditioning system in the building, the indoor temperature and humidity have remained practically constant regardless of outside conditions.

In the heyday of the Volga river in Russia, 25,000 barges piled up the river.

Gold was found in a meteorite which fell in New Mexico several years ago.

Pensions Court Hears Appeals

Many Cases Awaited Consideration At End Of 1935

A total of 789 appeals awaited consideration by the pensions appeals court at the end of 1935, according to information tabulated in the House of Commons by Hon. C. C. Power, minister of pensions and national health. Of this number, 27 were appeals of the crown from the pensions commission, 601 were appeals of applicants from the same body, and 111 were in "other categories." The return showed 56 appeals were allowed by the court in 1935, while 1,903 were disallowed.

Chief Slept Through Fire

"Deep in the sleep" might well be the title of this little story. John Andreassen celebrated his election as chief of the volunteer fire brigade at Anchorage, Alaska, by sleeping through the first fire. The station siren aroused the whole town but not the chief, just a block away. His wife, a night telephone operator on duty, couldn't raise him either.

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Saturday's storm is reported to have been as far east as Ohio, Sask.

Mrs. Le Fevre arrived in town on Wednesday night, from Buffalo, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Stevens and family, who were residents here during the winter months, have returned to Medicine Hat.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Dryden Rogers, of Leland, is reported to have passed away this week.

Mrs. Duncanson, J. Gordon, Mr. Campbell and others from Buffalo, Alta., are visitors in town.

The regular meeting of the United Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. C. H. Moore, on Thursday, April 2, at 3 p.m.

The Monthly Hospital Sewing Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Don MacIsaac on Tuesday, March 26th, at 2:30 p.m.

J. J. Rauch underwent an operation for appendicitis on Wednesday, and is reported to be making favorable progress.

Don't forget St. Mary's W.A. Tea and Bake Sale, to be held in Hotel Tea Room, on April 11th, at 3 p.m. Special orders for home cooking will be taken by Mrs. Stothers.

The five-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stutz, of Medford, underwent an emergency operation for ruptured appendix on Tuesday night, and is doing favorably.

Attention is drawn to Reg. A. Pool's advt. on second hand and rebuilt machinery. Price of Model K Case Tractor is \$225.00; in error this was given in last issue as \$285.00.

Mr. Ryder, of Swift Current, is in town on his annual visit, helping local business men make out their income tax reports.

The Crossfield Chronicle says: "Word has been received that it will be some little time before L. E. Cameron will be able to return to duty. He is resting, and as well as can be expected. The old Main Street."

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What's Doing in Wheat

On March 13th, visible wheat supplies in Canada, totalling 214,800,000 bushels—down some 23 million from last year. Total exports were 124 millions. While sales and exportations have been proceeding steadily, no wide demand has developed, which is disappointing. In the face of certain crop damage over large areas of Europe, low supplies in importing countries, uncertain prospects in the U.S. winter wheat belt and threats of war, the lethargic state of the wheat market is hard to comprehend.

The census, of course, that Europe and the Orient are not importing wheat on a large scale and nothing seems to be able to change this situation. Importers have been used to a glutted wheat market for so many years, they apparently take it for granted that no other will continue. It would seem that only an actual shortage of wheat would make a decided change to this attitude.

Canada's supplies are down some 23 million bushels as compared with last year and exports up some 30 million bushels. This does not seem likely in view of the fact that Argentina is virtually out of the market this year with the smallest crop in many years, that North America sustained a crop disaster of major proportions, that Australia had only a moderate crop and that Russia changed her policy of forced exportations to one of feeding her people first.

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TOWN AND PROVINCE

The Canadian Wheat Board has been selling freely and Broomhall has guessed its hold. The news from the United States, winter wheat held a contradictory and uncertain. The surplus producing, drier areas are jeopardized but the rest of the winter wheat belt seems to have fairly good prospects. Moisture conditions in the next six months will tell the tale of the winter wheat crop for 1936.

Canada is approaching spring and seed time with early crop prospects good. Of course this merely indicates abundant moisture for germination. Canada's spring wheat crop is made or unmade by June rains. Wheat Pool Budget.

Preparing Prairie

Soils For Roses

The prospective prairie rose grower, in search of information regarding suitable soil for roses, may well be excused, if through the study of current and other literature, a false and exaggerated impression is created as to the importance of providing rich soil for their culture. The true and general statement that the rose enjoys a rich deep soil, a rich heavy loam rather than a sandy one, and the advice to make free use of cow

manure, would be responsible for this attitude.

There are two evils which may result from an opinion of this sort. The more timid or mild enthusiast may be deterred from embarking on the venture, and the more determined or energetic may be tempted to apply an excessive amount of manure to his land in an effort to improve it. To measure and encourage the first-named above and to restrain or curb the latter this article is written.

At the Morden Experimental Station, 100 roses were planted in the spring of 1935 on land which had been unploughed for four years and had received no manure for a year longer. Those still bloomed profusely and grew

Notice of Preparation
of Assessment Roll

Village of Empress Assessment Roll 1936

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll of the Village of Empress, for the year 1936, has been prepared and is now open for inspection at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer from ten o'clock in the forenoon to four o'clock in the afternoon on every day which is not a public holiday, except Saturday, and on that day from ten o'clock in the forenoon until two o'clock in the afternoon, and that any person who desires to object to the entry of his name or that of any other person upon the said roll or to the assessment of any property or to the amount of any rate placed upon any property, must within thirty days after the date of this notice lodge a complaint in writing with the Secretary-Treasurer.

Dated at Empress, Alberta, this 26th day of March, 1936.
D. McCAEHERN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

vigorously, without any other cultivation than that supplied by the hoe. This above procedure is not recommended but it serves to show that elaborate preparation of soils is unnecessary. The indiscriminate use of barnyard manure is undesirable. Its incorporation in the upper soil renders it unfavorable for planting and tends to keep it too open for good results.

Most prairie soils which have been in cultivation for a number of years are capable of producing good roses. They are rich in all the elements of plant food, and should be in good physical condition for planting.

Fertility of the soil can afterwards be maintained by the application of mulches and band manure.—Dom. Exp. Farm, Morden, Man.

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